

**MINUTES - TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN OF BELVIDERE
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
691 Water Street
MARCH 1, 2021**

Mayor Kennedy opened the budget meeting of the Belvidere Town Council with the Pledge of Allegiance and Teresa Yeisley read the following notice in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act: In accordance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, notice of this meeting was given by way of notice filed with the Express Times Warren County NJ Zone and/or the Express-Times or Newark Star Ledger, filed in the Municipal Clerk's Office and posted in the Belvidere Town Hall, 691 Water Street, Belvidere NJ. This meeting was also advertised in accordance with the law as a virtual ZOOM meeting with instructions to the public for attendance and comment.

Roll Call:

Present - Mayor Kennedy, Councilman Matlock Councilwoman Miers, Councilman Mitchell, Councilwoman Napolitani, Councilman Roth, Councilman Zmigrodski
Absent - None

Public Comment:

There was no public comment at this time.

2021 Municipal Budget Discussion:

John Mooney, Municipal Auditor advised the following:

With the pandemic and all things considered, 2020 was a great year for Belvidere. The Town is now adding funding to the budget for tax appeals and storm recovery. Some hard decisions have been made and the Town has paid down their outstanding debt. This year's tax will remain flat with zero increase. The proposed budget falls under both the expenditure and levy caps. Tax collections rate for 2020 was the best it has been in several years.

The budget will be introduced on March 22nd and adopted on April 19th.

A motion was made by Councilman Zmigrodski to adjourn the Town Council budget meeting at 5:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa A. Yeisley, RMC/CPM
Municipal Clerk/Administrator